

EXPRESS MAIL LABEL NO. ER 98890539105

Remarks

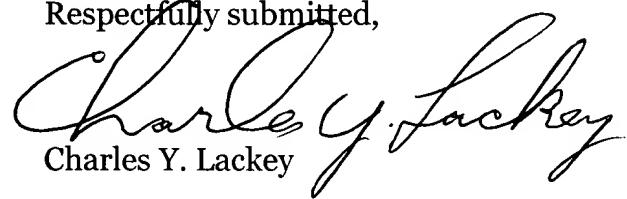
Claims 15 and 20 have been amended to hopefully cause the removal of the rejection 35 U.S.C. 112.

The undersigned regrets that he was unable to discuss the case with the Examiner when attempts were made to reach him. The telephone number for the undersigned, 336-659-8249, is a correct number, so there was an apparent malfunction of the undersigned's voice mail since there is no recollection or other notice that such calls were received. The undersigned's telephone has just recently been replaced with a more technically responsive and capable unit.

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It is believed that the claims are now in the form required by the Examiner, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. Kindly contact the undersigned at (336) 659-8249 if there are questions or other materials or information are needed.

Respectfully submitted,



Charles Y. Lackey

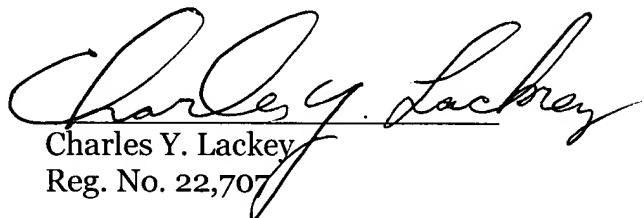
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EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

"EXPRESS MAIL" LABEL NUMBER : ER988905391 US
DATE OF DEPOSIT : May 6, 2004
Filed : September 28, 2001

I hereby certify that the enclosed Amendment for US Pat. Appln. Ser. No. 09/965,084 filed September 28, 2001 including a return mailing postcard, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



Charles Y. Lackey
Reg. No. 22,707

A handwritten signature of "Charles Y. Lackey" is written over a solid horizontal line. Below the signature, the name "Charles Y. Lackey" is printed in a smaller, sans-serif font, followed by "Reg. No. 22,707" in a slightly smaller font.